#### ACHS SUMMARY FORM

1.	1. Name: Joseph Magruder House	
2.	2. Planning Area/Site Number: 29/19 3. M-N	CPPC Atlas Reference: Map 20
4.	4. Address: 9703 Kentsdale Road Potomac, Maryland	Coordinate D-5
5.	5. Classification Summary	
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6.	6. Date: 1787 with additions 7. Original Ow	ner: Joseph Magruder
8.	8. Apparent Condition	
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9.	9. Description: This is a small, simple house one over a span of years. It combines thr form a lopsided T; the two older sections, one fieldstone) are lined up next to each the top of the T. The new section, of bri the stucco section, forming the leg. Ther over the entire complex, with the ridgelin The stucco-covered brick section is d wall; it is 3 bays by 1 bay, two stories, chimneys, and dormer. The fieldstone sect by 1 bay, 2 stories, stone foundation and	ee rectangular structures to one stucco(covered brick and other, facing west, to make ck, extends to the east behind e is a new gable roof, of shakes, es meeting at a common elevation. ated 1787 on an original exterior with fieldstone foundation, two erion is next in age, and is 2 bays

10. Significance: This is one of a few extant 18th century houses in this area. It was constructed by Joseph Magruder, who took an active role against the British both before and during the American Revolution. He constructed a log house and kitchen, tobacco house, and slave quarters during the 1770s, replacing the house with the earliest section of the present house in 1787. After the death of Magruder in 1793 and that of his wife in 1821, Thomas S. Bradley purchased  $391\frac{1}{2}$  acres from their heirs. Bradley probably added the stone section to the house.

chimney. In the 1960s the 2 bay by 1 bay, two story brick section was added.

Thomas Bradley's son Henry purchased the interests of his siblings in 1845, but did not live at the old house, preferring to construct a larger one more reflective of his large fortune made in the dry goods business in Washington, D.C. By the time Henry Bradley Sr. conveyed the farm to his son Henry Jr. in 1871, the farm consisted of about 800 acres. Henry Jr. managed the farm but paid little attention to the old house.

The farm was sold to Elizabeth Kendall and then to the Sisters of Mercy in 1930, who rejuvenated the house and sold it to the present owners in 1960.

Lynn Gallagher - Arch. Description 11. Researcher and date researched: Mark Walston August 1979

The three sections present an attractive combination.

12. Compiler: Eileen McGuckian 13. Date Compiled: Sept. 1979 14. Designation Approval

15. Acreage: .53 acres

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## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Joseph Magruder House is a small, simple house which has expanded to a large one over a span of years. It is an attractive combination of three rectangular structures of stucco-covered brick, fieldstone and brick, joined to form a lop-sided T. The two older sections (one stucco and one fieldstone) are lined up next to each other, 12' from Kentsdale Road, facing west, making the top of the T. The new section, of brick, extends to the east, behind the stucco section, forming the leg. There is a new gable roof, of shakes, over the entire complex, with the ridgelines

meeting at a common elevation.

The rectangular, three bay by one bay (32'x20'), two story, stuccocovered brick section is dated August 14, 1787 (on an original exterior
wall). Its fieldstone basement foundation and brick walls were covered
with putty colored stucco, lined to resemble the joints in stonework, in the
1930s in lieu of repointing the mortar joints. There is a 6" high brick
stoop at the front door. There are two chimneys in this section, both
stucco covered, one centered on each end wall (north and south). The main
(west) facade has a panelled wood door, with a very plain wood frame, in
the center and a new double-hung, six-over-six window, with panelled
shutters, on each side. There is a six light, casement window on each
of the south chimney at the second floor level. The gable roof overhangs
the front facade by 8". There is a gable dormer, with wood siding, shake
roof, and double-hung, six-over-six wood window located off-center on the
west side of the second floor.

The rectangular, two bay by one bay, (24'x20'), two story, fieldstone section, with stone foundation (no basement), stone walls, and wood framing, appears to be next in age. It has a fieldstone chimney centered on the north wall. The main (west) facade has two windows at the first floor level which match those on the older section, and two 2'x2' casement windows at floor level on the second story. The rear (east) elevation has one double-hung, six-over-six, wood window, a panelled wood and glass door at the first floor level, and another casement window at the second floor. The new shake roof over this section ends, without an overhang, above the casement windows -- a few feet higher than the end of the roof in the older

In the 1960s, the rectangular, two bay by one bay (32'x18'), two story, brick section was added. It has a concrete block basement foundation, and wood framing under 4 inches of brick. The windows in this section are all double-hung, six-over six or eight-over-eight. The north facade has four pairs of double windows, two at the first floor level and two in the second floor shed dormers, and a wood and glass panelled door. The east side has one pair of windows at the second floor level and an exterior concrete stair to the basement. The south side has a pair of windows and a pair of doors (wood panelled, with diamond pane glass above) at the first floor level.

The house, with approximately ½ acre of lawn and shrubs, faces west towards a country lane off Kentsdale Road. There is a rustic picket fence around a small yard on the south side.

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Joseph Magruder

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This brick and stone dwelling is one of a few extant 18th century houses located near Potomac, Maryland. The land on which the building stands was patented on September 7, 1775, by Joseph Magruder, under the tract name of "Finish of Trouble Enough".1

Joseph Magruder, born October 16, 1742, the son of Samuel Magruder III, was a member of a large and illustrious early Maryland family. He served on the Council of Safety, one of a number of extralegal provincial conventions and committees which after the close of the March 1774 session of the Maryland General Assembly took control of the colony's government. In 1777, Joseph Magruder was commissioned captain in the Maryland Revolucionary forces. He was married twice, first, ca. 1765, to Mary Jackson, and, after her death, to Catharine Fleming, his second wife, whom he married on June 25, 1778. Joseph Magruder fathered a total of 11 children, ten of whom lived to maturity.

The earliest house of Joseph Magruder situated upon this tract was a log house and kitchen constructed around the date of patent. Other improvements on the land at this time included two tobacco houses and slave quarters (Magruder owning some 13 slaves at their largest enumeration). This log house was replaced by a brick dwelling (the earliest section of the present house) constructed by Joseph Magruder in 1787, as attested to by the date inscribed on the building. Magruder supplemented his land holdings with a purchase in 1793 of some 95½ acres of "Bedfordshire Carrier" from James Butler Fleming of Wilks County, Georgia, and, during his lifetime had some real estate dealings with George Mason of Fairfax County, Virginia, involving a tract of land in Alleghany County, Maryland, located on the Potomac River some ten miles above Fort Cumberland.

Joseph Magruder died in 1793. By his will (made July 31, 1793, probated September 7, 1793) he bequeathed to his wife, Catharine Magruder, "all that tract called "The Finish of Trouble Enough" and "Bedfordshire Carrier), to be hers if she live single till death." Catharine Magruder survived her husband by better than 20 years. And, after her death in 1821, the various children and grandchildren of Catharine Magruder petitioned the Maryland Court of Chancery for an equitable division of the Magruder estate. Consequently, the house and surrounding acreage was put up for sale at public auction, held November 1, 22, with the proceeds therefrom distributed among the heirs. The property was purchased by Thomas S. Bradley at the rate of \$6.80 per acre, with the lands by survey revealing the quantity to be 3912 acres, making the total \$2,662.20.5

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Joseph Magruder House

It is believed, but not conclusively proven, that Thomas Bradley constructed the stone section of the subject building shortly after his purchase of the property, c. 1823. Thomas Bradley owned, occupied and operated the farmstead, known to the Bradley family as "The Cabin John Farm" until his death, around 1840. After his demise, the property passed to his brothers and sisters who in 1845 conveyed their interest

in the farm to their brother, Henry Bradley. 6

Henry Bradley, owner at that time of the largest dry goods establishment in Washington, D.C., constructed on the Cabin John property a large and commodious dwelling more reflective of his large fortune than the small brick and stone building. Thus, the old Magruder house was apparently relegated to a subservient position on the Henry Bradley Henry Bradley supplemented his existing land holdings (situated north of and adjacent to what is today Kentsdale Road) with a purchase of 311 acres of land from the estate of Zadock Offutt, lying south of and bordering on "the road from Cabin John Meeting House to the stone church on the Turnpike Road from Rockville to Georgetown (Kentsdale Road)".

On April 25, 1871, Henry Bradley, Sr., conveyed the farmstead, containing about 800 acres, to his son Henry Bradley, Jr. (born 1846) who, since his return home from school in 1863, had gradually assumed the management of the farm. Henry Bradley continued the cultivation of the Cabin John Farm, with, by 1900, more than 400 acres, or half the farm, cleared and in production. As for the plight of the old Magruder house, by the early 1900's the building appears yearst and Magruder house, by the early 1900's the building appears vacant and headed towards a ruinous state.

After the death of Henry Bradley, Jr., Jane B. Bradley, widow, sold the property to Elizabeth Kendall of Washington, D.C. in May 1925 for \$70.000.9 Elizabeth Kendall and her husband J.O. Lawson Johnston, of London, England, sold the old Magruder/Bradley estate (including additional purchases) to the Sisters of Mercy of the Union in the U.S.A., Inc., in 1930.10 By this time the property, known variously as Kentsdale Farm or the Kendall property, had been expanded to 900 acres, and the Bradley houses had been supplanted by a spacious 1920's estate house. Yet, the old Magruder house remained, albeit in a precarious situation. However, the building was rejuvenated and, in essence preserved by the Sisters of Mercy, who subsequently sold the house and a surrounding .53 acres to the present owners in 1960.

## FOOTNOTES:

- 1. Maryland Hall of Records, Warrant issued November 19, 1773; resurveyed May 3, 1774.
- 2. Tax Assessment of Montgomery County, 1783; U.S. Census Records of 1790 for Montgomery County.
- 3. Land Records of Montgomery County, Md., E/422 (July 2, 1793); Chancery Records B52/186, Maryland Hall of Records.
- 4. Montgomery County Orphan's Court Records Will C/115.
- 5. Chancery Records, op. cit., RW4/145.
- 6. Land Records, op. cit., STS 1/366 (April 23, 1845).
- 7. Equity STS 3/228, Filed October 19, 1848, Montgomery Equity Court Records; Land Records, op. cit., JGH 2/544 (October 26, 1850).
- 8. Ibid., EBP 9/58.
- 9. Ibid., 374/183 (May 25, 1925).
- 10. Ibid., 514/247 (December 30, 1930).

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See Attachment Sheet B

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# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA .53 acres ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_ VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES STATE COUNTY **II** FORM PREPARED BY NAME / TITLE Lynn Gallagher Mark Walston Architectural Description ORGANIZATION

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Attachment Sheet B

Joseph Magruder House

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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

## NOMINATION FORM

for the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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The house is a small, Colonial-style structure built in several parts. The earliest section (dated 1787) is on the south end of the building. This is a one-story-with-loft, brick house now covered with stucco. The main, three-bay facade faces west and the central door is flanked by two six-over-six, double-hung windows. There is a large, external chimney on the south end with a narrow stack extending above the first story. This stack is flanked by two small gable-end windows. There is a simple box cornice on the front and rear only. A single dormer sits in the middle of the roof on the west slope, and the roof is covered with shingles.

Attached to the north end of the house is a one and a half story, stone section, just slightly larger than the brick part. This is of two bays on the west facade (both windows) and there are two "eyebrow" windows tucked under the eaves. There is a large, external stone chimney on the north end, and the original end chimney of the brick house now rises between the two sections. The sections are connected by a central passage inside. A twentieth-century, brick wing extends east from the rear.

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#### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated August 15, 1989

#### ACTION TAKEN

This amendment recommends 18 historic resources throughout Montgomery County for historic designation and protection under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. It also recommends that 4 other resources be found not to warrant historic designation and that they be removed from the <u>Locational Atlas</u> and from further protection under the Ordinance.

 $18\ \mbox{historic}$  resources recommended for historic designation and protection:

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M: 10-52
                 Charles Browning Farm
M: 10-57
                 Zeigler Log House
M: 12-11
                 Frederick Hayes House
M: 12-36
                 Oak Ridge/Eleven Brothers
M: 14-51
                Woodburn/Blunt House
M: 16-1
                 Trundle Farm
M: 16-12
                Warren M.E. Church and Martinsburg Negro School
M: 16/26
                Nathan Dickerson Poole House/River View
M: 23-41
                Musgrove/Hobbs/Gaither House
M: 23-47
                Pleasant View
M: 23-84/1
                Ellicott Mine
M: 25-8
                Mt. Prospect
M: 25-10/1
                Travilah Town Hall
M: 29/9
                Dr. Willett House
M: 29-19
                Joseph Magruder House (Offutt House)
M: 33-1
                Drumeldra
M: 34-10
                Conley House/Green Ridge
M: 36-3
                Rock Creek Stables/Old Callahan Estate
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4 resources to be removed from Locational Atlas.

M: 25-19 Semmes Farm M: 37-1 Waterworks Site/Sligo Creek M: 37-2 Presidents' Tree M: 28-34 Mt. Pleasant II

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## FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated April 25, 1989

## ACTION TAKEN

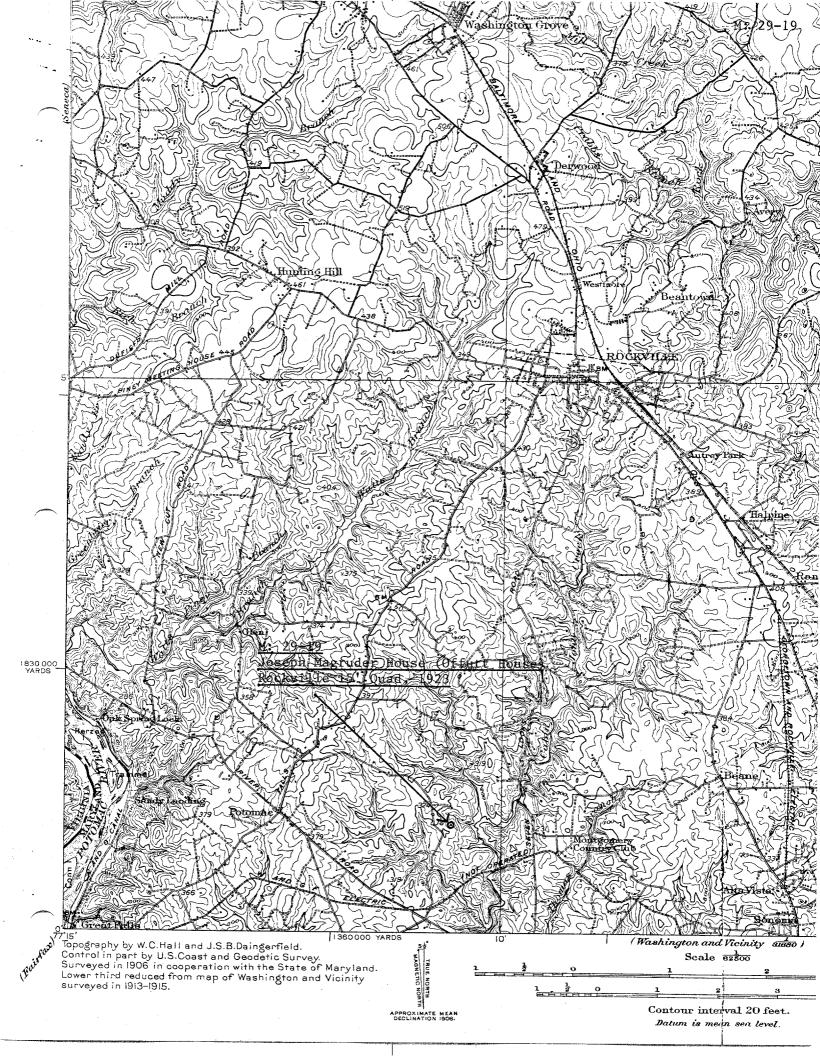
This document contains the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission's recommendations on the designation of twenty-two (22) historic resources throughout Montgomery County. Twenty-one resources are recommended for historic designation and protection under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. One resource is not recommended for designation.

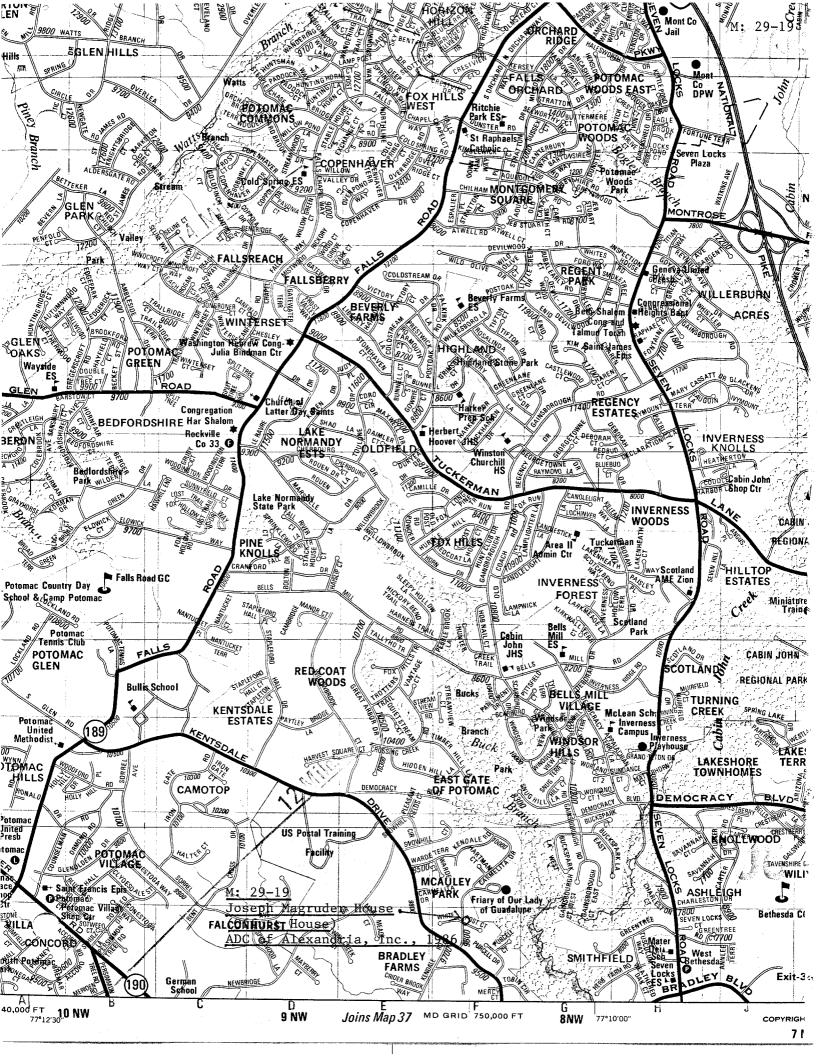
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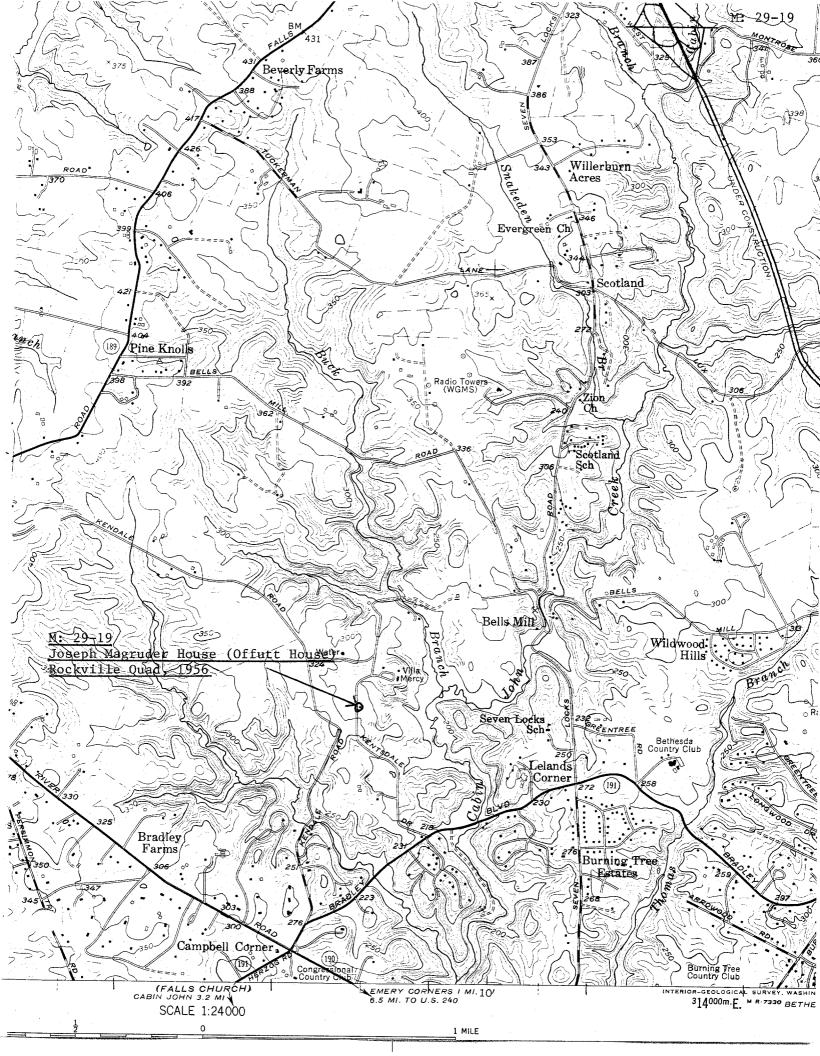
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	M:	12/11	Frederick Hayes House
	М:	12/36	Oak Ridge/Eleven Brothers
	M:	14/51	Woodburn/Blunt House
	M:	16/1	Trundle Farm
	M :	16/12	Warren E.M. Church and associated bldgs.
	<b>M</b> :	16/26	Nathan Dickerson Poole House/River View
	<b>M</b> :	23/41	Musgrove/Hobbs/Gaither House
	<b>M</b> :	23/47	Pleasant View
	<b>M</b> :	23/84-1	Ellicott Mine
	M:	25/8	Mount Prospect
	M :	25/10-1	Travilah Town Hall
	<b>M</b> :	28/34	Mount Pleasant II/Esther Scott House
	M:	29/9	Dr. Willett House
<	M:	29/19	Joseph Magruder House
	M:	33/1	Drumeldra
	<b>M</b> :	34/10	Conley House
	<b>M</b> :	36/03	Rock Creek Stables/Old Callahan Estate
	M:	37/01	Waterworks Site/Sligo Creek -
	M :	37/02	The President's Tree

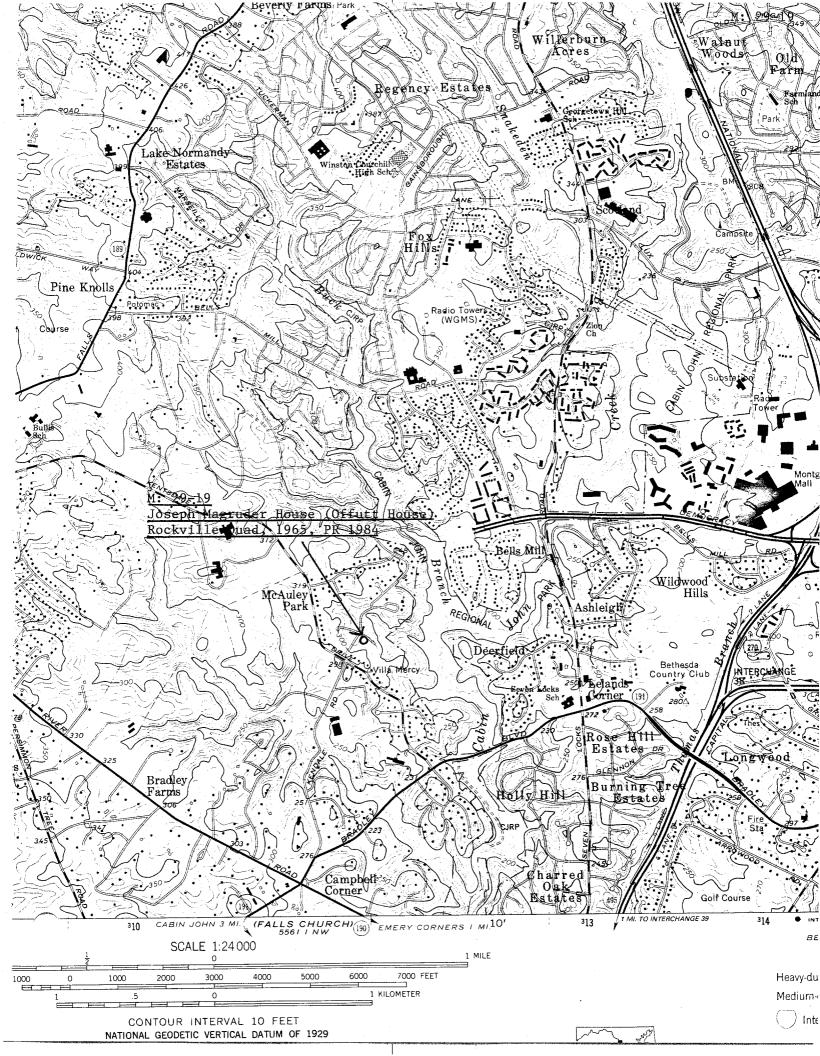
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M: 25/19 Semmes Farm











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